TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 1458 – HB 1457

March 17, 2016

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Requires the Governor to develop, implement, and publicize an annual program to recognize distinguished individuals having a record of outstanding service to the state of Tennessee or a local community. The program shall honor individuals who have displayed a high level of such service, including volunteer work, community organization, public service, charitable service, and leadership roles. Nominations for recognition sent to the Governor may only originate from members of the General Assembly.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (014222): Deletes all language of the original bill. Creates the "Tennessee Tri-Star General Award" in order for the Governor to honor distinguished individuals who have demonstrated a high level of service, including but not limited to: volunteer work or community service, public service; military service; leadership; or charitable, business, or scientific contributions.

Authorizes each member of the General Assembly to nominate one individual per year for the award; authorizes the Governor to recognize up to five additional individuals for the award each calendar year; requires nominees to have resided in Tennessee for at least five years; authorizes the award to be granted posthumously; requires individuals recognized with the award to bear the honorary title of "Tennessee Tri-Star General"; and requires the award to consist of a certificate bearing the great seal of Tennessee and be signed by the Governor and the Secretary of State.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

• Each individual recognized will bear the honorary title of "Tennessee Tri-Star General".

- Pursuant to the provisions of the amended bill, the Governor will award a certificate to each individual recognized with the honor, which shall bear the great seal of the state of Tennessee and be signed by the Governor and the Secretary of State.
- Any increase in state expenditures to design and print award certificates is considered to be not significant.
- According to the Office of the Governor, any fiscal impact as a result of this legislation would be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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